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September 22, 2003

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 44275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, SIBLEY FIELD,
Webster Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

NELSON ENERGY, INC. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Sibley Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana:

1. To redefine the top of the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Sibley Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana, insofar and only insofar as to the unit designated CV RA SUF, which unit is shown on the attached plat, as occurring at the depth of 9,950', measured depth, in the Nelson Energy, Inc.--Burson 28 No. 1 Well, located in the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 28, Township 18 North, Range 9 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana.
2. To confirm and continue in force and effect CV RA SUF as a drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Sibley Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana, as redefined herein.
3. To authorize Applicant to complete, designate and utilize its Burson 28 No. 1 Well as the unit well for CV RA SUF, said well being located as shown on the attached plat, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 148-K, effective August 19, 1997.
4. To designate Applicant as operator of CV RA SUF.
5. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Sibley Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana, is currently defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 148-K, effective August 19, 1997.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Nelson Energy, Inc., 401 Edwards Street, Suite 1500, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101-3140. Any person

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desiring to inspect such data should call Mr. Danny Moreland at (318) 226-0700 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

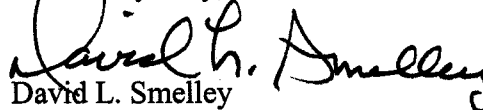
By letter dated September 10, 2003, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these proposals and set October 1, 2003, as the tentative date for the pre-application conference. No person requested the pre-application conference within ten (10) days after the date of said letter; accordingly, no such conference was held.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of the plat showing the unit affected by these proposals (which is identical to the plat attached to the pre-application notice) is enclosed herewith, and a copy of this letter and the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Sibley Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee.

Yours very truly,


David L. Smelley

-- Attorney for Nelson Energy, Inc.

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)
Mr. Danny Moreland (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties (w/copy of plat only)

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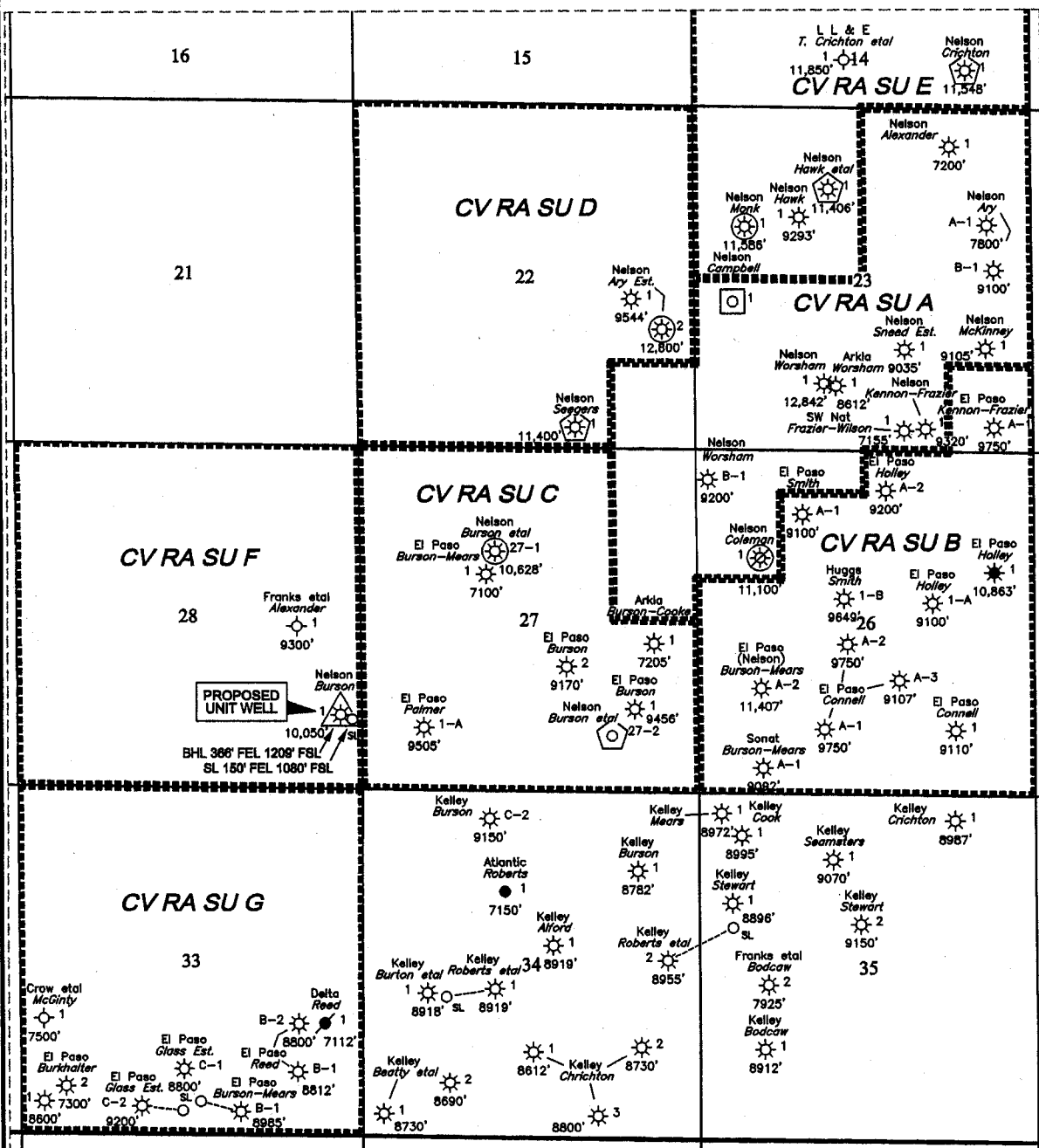


EXHIBIT No. 1
DOCKET No. _____
ORDER No. _____

LEGEND

- COTTON VALLEY UNIT BOUNDARIES
- COTTON VALLEY UNIT WELLS
- COTTON VALLEY ALTERNATE UNIT WELLS
- COTTON VALLEY SUBSTITUTE UNIT WELLS
- PROPOSED COTTON VALLEY UNIT WELL

NELSON ENERGY, INC.
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

SIBLEY FIELD
WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA
EXISTING COTTON VALLEY
RESERVOIR "A"
SAND UNITS

GEOLOGIST: D. MORELAND
DATE: _____



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